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Sir:

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<u>Title</u>: CARNITINE SUPPLEMENTED DIETS FOR GESTATING AND LACTATING SWINE including the items indicated:

1. Specification and 16 claims: 3 indep.; 13 dep.; 0 multiple dep.

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